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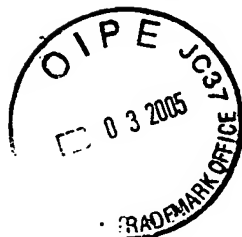
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PATENT

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Patent Application of:  
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Title: METHOD OF DERIVING SPECTRAL SENSITIVITY CHARACTERISTICS  
FOR COLOR IMAGE INPUTTING DEVICE AND APPARATUS FOR SAME

**AMENDMENT**

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed August 27, 2004 (Paper No. 3) and is being filed within the second month of extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.13(a) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). A Petition for Extension of Time to and including January 27, 2005 is being filed herewith.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listings of the claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 7 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes. An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 9 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.